

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – JUNE 4, 2012

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Paul Salafia called the Regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:04 P.M. in the Selectmen's Conference Room at the Town Offices. Present: Roll Call – Chairman Salafia-Y and Selectmen Brian Major, Mary Lyman-Y and Dan Kowalski-Y. Selectman Alex Vispoli arrived after the meeting opened. Also present: Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski and Town Clerk Larry Murphy. The meeting was duly posted and cable-cast live.

II. Opening Ceremonies

Chairman Salafia asked for a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Communications/Announcements/Liaisons

The Town Manager made the following announcements:

- ~ Congratulations to the Andover High School Graduation Class of 2012, their parents and teachers.
- ~ Thank you to Director of Veteran Affairs Michael Burke for orchestrating the wonderful ceremony on Memorial Day.
- ~ The Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual awards ceremony on Thursday, June 7th at the Indian Ridge Country Club. The Reverend Jack Daniels and Nancy Hargreaves-Pierce will be recognized.
- ~ Construction of the West Knoll Road access road for the Bancroft School Project has started.
- ~ Construction of the Deyermund Ball Field on Blanchard Street should be 95% complete by the end of this week – they are ahead of schedule having installed the water lines for irrigation and will be paving the ditch.
- ~ For the 12th consecutive year, Andover has received the designation of Tree City.
- ~ Our Pakistani guests have left for Amherst, Mass. and will head to Washington, D.C. on Tuesday.

Selectman Kowalski also acknowledged Michael Burke for the outstanding ceremony on Memorial Day. He said he will be a chaperone for the AHS Senior Safari later that evening.

Town Clerk Larry Murphy said the two zoning bylaws approved at Town Meeting were approved by the Attorney General's Office, the bylaws are in effect and have been posted.

Chairman Salafia said the Memorial Day activities went smoothly and were a wonderful event. The Pakistani officials were impressed with the way in which we honor our war heroes.

Chairman Salafia also reported that the Habitat for Humanity would like to have a Board Day with Town Board members participating in hands-on activities.

IV. Citizens Petitions & Presentations – 7:10 P.M.

Former Selectman Gail Ralston presented the Board with the photo book of Andover Selectmen from 1855 to the present which includes a brief biography and picture of each of the 85 Selectmen who served the Town. The book will be available for viewing on the Town website where it can be easily updated. Hard copies will also be available at the Memorial Hall Library, the Andover Historical Society, Town Manager's Office and the

Town Clerk's Office. The Town Manager recognized Ms. Ralston for picking up the challenge he gave her on this project which is a good foundation of the Town's history. The Board also was extremely grateful to Gail for the time and effort she put into this project to bring it to fruition.

John Pasquale, 47B Whittier Street, asked for more clarification on the status of the Town Yard Project and ground rules being set. He also asked what the \$600,000 June 30th balance in the snow account will be used for. The Town Manager said two new vehicles slated to be purchased through the CIP in FY-13 will be purchased now and not through bonding, additional funds will be used for a sign study and to purchase a computerized work order system. The balance of \$100,000 will be converted to Free Cash.

V. Regular Business of the Board – 7:25 P.M.

A. Blanchard Street Ballfields

On a motion by Selectman Major and seconded by Selectman Lyman, the Board unanimously voted to accept a \$31,935 donation from the Andover Little League for outfield fencing at the Deyermont Ballfields at Blanchard Street .

B. Franciscan Housing Overlay District Task Force

Director of Planning Paul Materazzo and Task Force Co-Chairmen Arthur Friedman and Charles Kendrick, Jr. provided an update on the status of the Franciscan Housing Overlay District. They have identified this area to be developed as an overlay district consisting of senior housing for residents age 55 and over, a senior facilities development for independent, assisted living and resident care to accommodate all various uses and services required by seniors. It is a complicated formula with many rules to consider for the development of the area and to assure zoning allows the use of other structures. They have examined what they can do under the current zoning laws and the impact on Town services while providing for Town seniors. The Franciscans are interested in anything that will make their property more marketable. The timeline for the project includes providing a presentation on the draft of the overlay district, reaching consensus, engaging residents through public meetings and returning to the Board with an update in the Fall.

C. Net Metering

Director of Planning Paul Materazzo and Chad Laurent of the Meister Consultants Group, Inc. gave a presentation on the opportunities of Net Metering and are requesting the Board authorize the Town Manager to enter into a non-binding Term Sheet for a Virtual Net Metering Program. The Preliminary Summary of Terms states the proposed development of a multi-megawatt solar photovoltaic project would be constructed using the Mass Virtual Net Metering Program. SPG will develop and operate the project for 20 years on a site owned by a third-party. The sale of the power will be documented through a Solar Service Agreement approved by the Town. At the 2011 Town Meeting, Articles 21 and 22 provided funds to conduct a study and approval for long-term electrical contracts, they have the backing of the Green Community and have received a great response from discussions that have been held. The Meister Consultants Group, Inc. has provided expertise in the process. They ask that the Board authorize the Town Manager to sign an intent to negotiate a Term Sheet to move forward in negotiations of the Net Metering Program.

The Board discussed their concerns about liability and if they will be locked into a specific rate and what happens if one partner sells out or if they completely abandon the site.

An explanation on how the pricing works, the specific fixed charge from the revenue stream, and flexibility of the structuring fees was provided. It was also reported that the Town has no ownership and no liability. Other towns that have entered into agreements for Net Metering include Natick and Newburyport.

The Town Manager said the issue before the Board is to sign the non-binding agreement to start the process in terms of selecting sites and contracts and to come back to the Board with the findings. The non-binding agreement includes three month exclusivity that the Town not be involved with other companies.

Chairman Salafia said as this is a first-reading of the request, it will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

D. Town Yard

The Board continued their workshop discussion regarding the Town Yard Project and continues to prepare for a public meeting. The Board discussed various scenarios for the Town Yard and how to proceed. They talked about starting with one building at the current site and phasing in satellite locations, or another possibility. How do they rebuild, where to rebuild, financing and other projects affected. It is important to have the Finance Committee's approval and discussions with other Department Heads. By November they expect to have identified the major functions, modules, consolidation decisions, if Lewis Street should be considered as a site and what are other sites could be considered. The Board agreed to continue the discussion on the Town Yard Project on Monday, June 11th from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at a Work Session devoted specifically to this topic.

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Block Party Requests

Selectman Lyman motioned to approve the requests of Katrin Schneck, 23 Alden Road, for permission to block off her street from #18 to #23 for a neighborhood block party on Saturday, June 16, 2012 from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. (raindate – Sunday, June 17, 2012), and to approve the request of Kate McHugh, 11 Wolcott Avenue, for permission to block off her street for a neighborhood block party on Saturday, June 16, 2012 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. (raindate – Sunday, June 17, 2012). Both requests have been reviewed and approved with conditions by the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Selectman Vispoli and voted 5-0 to approve.

B. Appointments and Re-appointments

On a motion by Selectman Vispoli and seconded by Selectman Lyman, the Board unanimously voted to approve the following appointments recommended by the Town Manager:

DEPARTMENT	POSITION	RATE	EFF. DATE
<u>COMMUNITY SERVICES</u>			
Laura A. Reagan	Art Teacher – PT	\$1,300	7/9/12

Beth-Ann W. Price	Asst. CSA Director/Drama Instructor – PT	\$2,000	7/9/12
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YOUTH SERVICES

Benjamin Levine	Counselor – PT	C2B/\$8.25/hr.	4/26/12
John Lincoln-Vogel	Counselor – PT	C3A/\$8.75/hr.	4/26/12

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – Highway Division

Mark A. Procopio	Civil Engineering Internship	\$13.00/hr.	6/5/12
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VII. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

On a motion by Selectman Lyman and seconded by Selectman Vispoli, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of the May 7, 2012 Regular Meeting and the May 21, 2012 Regular Meeting as presented.

VIII. Adjournment

At 9:45 P.M on a motion by Selectman Major and seconded by Selectman Lyman the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the June 4, 2012 Regular Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee DeLorenzo, Recorder

Documents: Virtual Net Metering Proposal,
Minutes of May 7 and May 21, 2012